

## Baptism

The sacrament of Christian baptism is the rite of entry into church membership. It is a sign of belonging to the church and to God. The children and infants of Christian parents are properly baptized as members of the covenant community. If an adult has been previously baptized, re-baptism is not necessary to join the church. Ordinarily, re-baptism is discouraged. If an adult wishes to mark a recommitment to Jesus Christ, a public affirmation of that commitment, other than water baptism, may be arranged in consultation with the minister.

For young people who were baptized as infants, confirmation offers a time to intentionally explore elements of Christian faith and practice in order to make a public declaration of their intention to live as a disciple of Christ and an active church member.

Ordinarily, active participation in the life of the church by a young person is a prerequisite for admission to a confirmation class.

Name of person to be baptized \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

If an infant, are the parents members of the West Sunbury Church? \_\_\_\_\_

Is a grandparent or other relative a church member? \_\_\_\_\_

For infant: Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date requested for baptism \_\_\_\_\_

Please copy and paste this form into a document, fill it out and bring it to the church office during regular office hours. Thanks!